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TITLE OF INVENTION: IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO REFRACTORY PRODUCTS

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1. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Elected Office (EO/US) the following items under 35 U.S.C. Section 371:

- a. This express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. Section 371(f)).
- b. The U.S. National Fee (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(1)) and other fees (37 C.F.R. Section 1.492) as indicated below:

2. Fees

CLAIMS FEE*	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
BASIC FEE	TOTAL CLAIMS	9 -20 =	0	x \$18.00 =	\$0.00
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1 - 3 =	0	x \$80.00 =	\$0.00
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) + \$270.00				\$270.00
	U.S. PTO WAS NOT INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION AUTHORITY Where no international preliminary examination fee as set forth in Section 1.482 has been paid to the U.S. PTO, and payment of an international search fee as set forth in Section 1.445(a)(2) to the U.S. PTO: where a search report on the international application has been prepared by the European Patent Office or the Japanese Patent Office (37 C.F.R. Section 1.492(a)(5)) \$860.00				\$860.00
	Total of above Calculations				= \$1,130.00
SMALL ENTITY	Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Affidavit must be filed. (note 37 CFR Sections 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)				- \$0.00
	Subtotal				\$1,130.00
	Total National Fee				\$1,130.00
	Fee for recording the enclosed assignment document \$40.00 (37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(h)). See attached "ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET".				\$0.00
TOTAL	Total Fees enclosed				\$1,130.00

A check in the amount of \$1,130.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

3. A copy of the International application as filed (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(2)) is transmitted herewith (see International Publication No. WO 00/32337).

4. A translation of the International application into the English language (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(2)) is not required as the application was filed in English.
5. Amendments to the claims of the International application under PCT Article 34 are transmitted herewith.
6. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 34 is not required as the amendments were made in the English language.
7. A copy of the international examination report (PCT/IPEA/409) is transmitted herewith.
8. A copy of the Written Opinion is transmitted herewith.
9. A copy of the Response to the Written Opinion is transmitted herewith.
10. A copy of the Amended Sheets (2 pages) listing amended claims 1-9.
11. An oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. Section 371(c)(4)) complying with 35 U.S.C. Section 115 will follow.
12. An International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210) or Declaration under PCT Article 17(2)(a) is transmitted herewith.
13. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.97 and 1.98 is transmitted herewith. Also transmitted herewith are Form PTO-1449 and copies of citations listed.
14. Additional documents:
 - a. Copy of request (PCT/RO/101)
 - b. International Publication No. WO00/32337 (Specification, claims and drawing)
15. The above items are being transmitted before 30 months from any claimed priority date.

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AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No.: 50-0537.

37 C.F.R. Section 1.492(a)(1), (2), (3), and (4) (filing fees)

37 C.F.R. Section 1.492(b), (c), and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

37 C.F.R. Section 1.17 (application processing fees)

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